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TAGS: PORG, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: FOLLOW-UP TO MEETING WITH SWAPO

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1. FOLLOWING FEBRUARY 16 MEETING WITH SWAPO (REFTEL), AMB MCHENRY SPOKE SEPARATELY WITH UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM, ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL FARAH, UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA AHTISAARI, AND TANZANIAN AMBASSADOR SALIM. EACH WAS GIVEN INFORMALLY A COPY OF PROPOSED CLARIFICATIONS AND TOLD THAT SWAPO HAD TAKEN AN UNYIELDING POSITION. ALL EXPRESSED FRUSTRATION AND BEWILDERMENT WITH SWAPO'S ACTIONS. NONE SUGGESTED ANY WAY OF

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SPEEDILY REVERSING SWAPO'S ATTITUDE.

2. THE CONTACT GROUP WILL BE CONSIDERING HOW TO PERSUADE SWAPO TO SEE POLITICAL FACTS OF LIFE, BUT FOR NOW THERE MAY BE ADVANTAGE IN SIMPLY GIVING SWAPO TIME TO REFLECT ON THE CLARIFYING LANGUAGE ALREADY PROPOSED.

3. SAM NUJOMA PLANS TO LEAVE NEW YORK TODAY (FEBRUARY 17).
THE REST OF HIS DELEGATION WILL LEAVE WITH HIM OR SHORTLY
THEREAFTER.

4. SWAPO DELEGATION OF FIVE, INCLUDING NUJOMA AND
TJONGARERO, PLANS TO VISIT THE NETHERLANDS AND NORDIC
COUNTRIES BEFORE RETURNING TO LUSAKA. SWAPO SECRETARY APPROACHED
US ON THE ADDITIONAL EXPENSE. WE DEMURRED. OTHER CONTACT
GROUP MEMBERS AGREE.
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